



### Remarks

Claims 6, 7, 19, 21, 25, 29, 37, 39, 43, 44, 48 and 49 are pending in this application. Claims 1-5, 8-18, 20, 22-24, 26-28, 30-36, 38, 40-42, 45-47, and 50-56 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicants note that the Examiner omitted claim 43 from his summary of the canceled and pending claims. Applicants amended claim 43 in their Amendment of May 27, 2003, expressing their intention for claim 43 to remain pending. Claims 21, 39, and 43 are being amended to clarify the claimed invention and to place the claims in better condition for allowance. No new matter has been introduced by virtue of the present amendments. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above application in view of the present amendments and the following remarks.

The Examiner states that claims 21 and 39 are rejected as being indefinite because the term "about" is recited in the limitation in "the predetermined time period is between about thirty to sixty days". Without waiver or prejudice, the Applicants have amended claims 21 and 39 to recite that the predetermined time period is between thirty and sixty days. Although the Examiner did not reject claim 43 as having the same "about" term, Applicants amend claim 43 to delete "about" from the range for the predetermined time period to expedite allowance of the application. Consequently, withdrawal of this rejection is kindly solicited.

### **Conclusion**

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For the foregoing reasons, Applicant believes that the Office Action of August 27, 2003 has been fully responded to. Consequently, in view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the application, including claims 6, 7, 19, 21, 25, 29, 37, 39, 43, 44, 48, and 49, are in-condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully requested.

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